





# The Avalanche

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## DECLINE OF TRADE.

### BUSINESS NOT WHAT IT WAS A YEAR AGO.

Some Call It Only the Usual Spring Dullness. Others Think It the Reaction from Last Year's Activity—A Slump on a Southern Railway.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "Business is not what it was a year ago, but men do not agree as to what is the different trend of the working force, increasing fast, is now decreasing. Works are stopped to relieve excessive output in manufacture of paper, cotton, wool, leather and some forms of steel, while prices are suddenly reduced for the same purpose in lead, wire and nails. What seems to some a merely spring dullness, others think the beginning of a reaction. The remedy for one difficulty does not fit the other, and there is more need than usual for close attention to the meaning of events. In place of the wild speculation in securities which swelled exchange a year ago there has come such a reaction that the market for securities (and stocks) have sold this week at prices averaging \$83.14 a share, though the same stocks sold in April last year for \$90.00 a share, and twenty common have sold this week for \$38.40, while last year at \$70.00, double the price. The industrial market is also showing a reaction. The week has been marked by failures for the week have been 117 in the United States, against 147 last year, and 30 in Canada, against 17 last year.

### SMASH-UP ON THE TRISTE.

#### Four Injured in Collision on Nashville and Knoxville Railroad.

A bad wreck occurred near Gordonsville, Tenn., when a fast train on the Nashville and Knoxville railroad collided with a freight train. The passenger train had the right of way, and was rounding a curve to the right, when it struck the freight train. The passenger train was traveling at a speed of 40 miles an hour, and the freight train was traveling at a speed of 20 miles an hour. The collision resulted in the death of one person and the injury of four others. The freight train was carrying a load of coal, and the passenger train was carrying passengers. The wreckage was a sight to behold, and the scene was one of tragedy.

### WIFE KILLED BY ACCIDENT.

#### Husband Shoots at a Rat and the Full Charge Hits Her.

Ex-representative Simon W. Cramer and his wife, at Paulding, Ohio, were attempting to dislodge a rat from a pile of debris, Mrs. Cramer being on the opposite side of a woodshed from Mr. Cramer, who had a loaded shotgun in his hand. Mr. Cramer, thinking he had seen the rat, fired the charge striking Mrs. Cramer in the face, death resulting shortly afterward. The coroner's verdict was that death resulted from accidental shooting. Mrs. Cramer was 60 years old.

### CONTEST ON THE DIAMOND.

#### The Standing of the Clubs in the National League is as follows:

| Club          | Wins | Losses | Percentage |
|---------------|------|--------|------------|
| Philadelphia  | 12   | 12     | .500       |
| Brooklyn      | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| Chicago       | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| Pittsburgh    | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| St. Louis     | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| Cleveland     | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| Indianapolis  | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| Washington    | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| St. Paul      | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| San Francisco | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| Los Angeles   | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| San Diego     | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| Portland      | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| Seattle       | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| Tacoma        | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| Vancouver     | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| Victoria      | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| Calgary       | 11   | 13     | .452       |
| Edmonton      | 10   | 14     | .417       |
| Winnipeg      | 11   | 13     | .452       |
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### MOVES TO OUST CLARK.

#### Gov. R. B. Smith of Montana, who had just returned from California, announces that he had decided to disregard Lieut. Gov. Spriggs' appointment of Senator Clark to the vacancy created by that gentleman's resignation, and that he has himself appointed Maj. Martin McGuire of Helena to the vacancy. Maj. McGuire wired his acceptance.

### LONG MAN ROBS A HOTEL.

In the presence of clerks and guests of the Cosmos Hotel in Kansas City, Mo., a lone robber seized a strong box containing \$1,500 in jewels and money, held it at bay with a revolver, mounted a horse and escaped.

### MURDERERS SENTENCED TO DEATH.

John Munn and Frank Friday, the latter a desperado, thought to be wanted in Chicago, where he formerly lived, were sentenced at Wheeling, W. Va., to be hanged July 13 for having killed James Hervey.

### NEBRASKA RANCHMAN SLAIN.

Alois Standenberger, a ranchman, was murdered and his body left lying on the plains near Miller, Harrison, Neb. He was an extensive cattleman and had come out to look after his stock. There is no clue to his slayers.

### YOUNG EVANGELIST DISAPPEARS.

Samuel Wyatt, a young English evangelist of good family, who is missing in Chicago, leaves a note to his friends stating that he has committed suicide and making wild charges against prominent men in England.

### LEGAL LIGHT BEATEN TO DEATH.

Prof. Roy Wilson White, an instructor of law in the University of Pennsylvania, was beaten to death on the street in West Philadelphia. Three suspected negroes are under arrest.

### MAKING IS RELIEVED.

British troops are announced to have arrived at Mafeking and compelled the Boers to raise the siege. London is wild with joy.

### ST. LOUIS STRIKERS ENJOINED.

At St. Louis Judge Elder B. Adams of the United States District Court issued a temporary writ of injunction restraining strike leaders and all other persons from interfering in any manner with the running of mail cars over the street car lines of the city.

### TWO KILLED AND SEVEN HURT.

Two men were killed and seven injured, three fatally, by the explosion of the boiler of the locomotive attached to south-bound passenger train No. 21 on the Illinois Central Railroad at DuBois, Ill.

### JUMP FROM FOURTH STORY.

In an insane attempt to go to the home he had sold, a 40-year-old man jumped from a fourth-story window which was slightly ajar for ventilation at Longview asylum at Cincinnati and died thirty minutes later of his injuries.

### DEWEY GIVEN IT UP.

Admiral Dewey has decided that he is not in the presidential race this year, at least. The heartiness of the reception accorded to him in the South did not deter him about his chances for getting a nomination at the Democratic convention.

## FACE DEATH FROM BALLOON.

### Boys Accidentally Caught in the Ropes Hauled Skyward.

People stood helpless and viewed with horror an accident that occurred at Pottsville, Pa., when the lives of three boys and three were imperiled during a balloon ride. The boys were caught in the ropes of the balloon and were hauled skyward. The balloon was being lowered by a rope, and the boys were caught in the ropes. The balloon was being lowered by a rope, and the boys were caught in the ropes. The balloon was being lowered by a rope, and the boys were caught in the ropes.

### BUSINESS IS DEAD IN DAWSON.

#### Great Part of the Population Prepares to Go to Quebec.

Private advice from Dawson, Yukon, reports a great lack of business activity. The Sunday closing, together with the unfavorable weather, have killed business. The temperature was then 60 degrees above zero and the weather had been fairly good for the last few days. The Sunday closing, together with the unfavorable weather, have killed business. The temperature was then 60 degrees above zero and the weather had been fairly good for the last few days. The Sunday closing, together with the unfavorable weather, have killed business. The temperature was then 60 degrees above zero and the weather had been fairly good for the last few days.

### WOMAN TRIES TO SHOOT A MAN.

#### Sensational Murder on a Cleveland Street Prevented by a Boy.

A sensational scene in which a woman beat a man and attempted to shoot him took place on Prospect street, Cleveland, on a recent morning. The woman was in a restaurant when she saw a man pass by. Grabbing a bottle, she threw it at him and ran after him. She caught up with him and began to strike him with the bottle. The man then pulled a revolver from his dress and was about to use it, when William McJannet, a boy, intervened. The man then fled, and the woman was taken into custody.

### GIVEN UP A CONFEDERATE FLAG.

#### The Flag of the Thirtieth Louisiana Confederate Regiment Captured before Atlanta on July 28, 1864.

Athens, Ohio, was surprised by the arrival of a Confederate flag, which was captured before Atlanta on July 28, 1864. The flag was brought to Athens by a man who had been a member of the Thirtieth Louisiana Confederate Regiment. The flag was captured by the Union forces during the battle of Atlanta. The man who brought the flag to Athens was a member of the Thirtieth Louisiana Confederate Regiment. The flag was captured by the Union forces during the battle of Atlanta.

### MURDER IN OHIO TOWN.

#### Man Tried to Lurch the Slayer of a Young Farmer.

A murder followed by an attempted lynching created great excitement at North Bloomfield, Ohio. John Burton, a prominent young farmer, was killed by a man who tried to lurch the slayer. The man who killed Burton was a young man who was known to Burton. The man who killed Burton was a young man who was known to Burton. The man who killed Burton was a young man who was known to Burton.

### ATTEMPT TO BURN DULUTH.

#### A desperate effort was made to burn the business portion of Duluth, Minn.

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### BOYS IN A FATAL SHOT DUEL.

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### CRASH ON PENNSYLVANIA ROAD.

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### BULLET, PIERCING WALL, KILLS.

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### MANY HURT IN FIRE.

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### OHIO MAN DIES AT AGE OF 102.

#### William Pollock, 102 years old, died at Findlay, Ohio.

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### WAREHOUSE IS DESTROYED.

#### The H. E. McLean warehouse, located on the bay front at Erie, Pa., was destroyed by fire.

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### MARKET QUOTATIONS.

| Commodity                                | Price            |
|--|------------------|
| Chicago—Cattle, common to prime          | \$3.00 to \$6.00 |
| hogs, shipping grades                    | \$3.00 to \$5.00 |
| corn, No. 2, 35c to 36c                  |                  |
| wheat, No. 2, 75c to 76c                 |                  |
| rye, No. 2, 55c to 56c                   |                  |
| barley, No. 2, 45c to 46c                |                  |
| oats, No. 2, 35c to 36c                  |                  |
| potatoes, No. 1, 1.25 to 1.35            |                  |
| potatoes, No. 2, 1.00 to 1.10            |                  |
| Indian—Wheat, No. 2, mixed, 75c to 76c   |                  |
| corn, No. 2, 35c to 36c                  |                  |
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| Michigan—Wheat, No. 2, mixed, 75c to 76c |                  |
| corn, No. 2, 35c to 36c                  |                  |
| rye, No. 2, 55c to 56c                   |                  |
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## BOERS HARD-PRESSED.

### Occupation of Kroonstad by British Army.

British Army has taken possession of the Orange Free State—Boer Route Burgher Force and Takes Defensive Position on the Biggarsburg. The British Army has taken possession of the Orange Free State. The British Army has taken possession of the Orange Free State. The British Army has taken possession of the Orange Free State.

### MEASURE HELD VALID.

#### Supreme Court Declares Invalidation of Tax Constitutionally Invalid.

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### CURRENT COMMENT.

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### CHARGES BIG FRAUDS.

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## COUP BY CLARK.

### His Seat and Name for the Governor.

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## POSTAL FRAUDS GROW.

### ARE SAID TO EXCEED THROUGHOUT CUBA.

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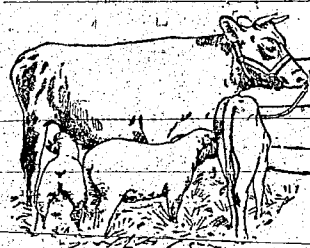
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Cow Rears Two Lambs.

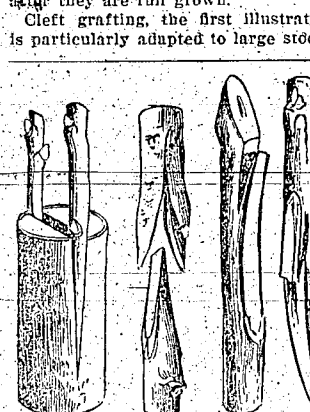
The accompanying picture might have been thought a fancy of some artist of fertile imagination, were it not a photograph. A photograph never lies; it may distort the truth when it is the work of a bungler in the art; but there is none of this in this picture. It goes to show the good nature of the Jersey cow, whose kindly expression betokens that she is greatly pleased with her foster family. These lambs were unfortunate orphans, resulting from an accident to the ewe. As a temporary expedient they were held to the cow and put to the teat, and immediately accepted the services of the foster mother, who reared them, as well as her calf. These lambs, pure bred Southdowns, are valuable, being of superior stock, and the incident goes to show not only the usefulness of



HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS FAMILY.

the substitution, but of the good temper and disposition of the Jersey cows so often denied to them. The cow is a pure-bred Jersey only two years old. There is one more lesson given in this picture, which is timely. It teaches how lambs should be docked. These lambs were docked when ten days old, by simply clipping off, with a sharp pair of pruning shears, the tail at a joint, first drawing back the skin, so that enough of it was left to cover the bone. A little common pine tar was then applied so as to make a plaster over the wound by the help of the wool, which was twisted together with the tar to exclude the air. The lambs showed no inconvenience, and at that early age the nervous system is so little developed that but little pain can be felt.

**Various Methods of Grafting.**  
The scions should be cut while the buds are dormant, and the grafting done during the spring. Bailey says the best time to top graft is "when the leaves are pushing out, as wounds made then heal quickly and the scions are most apt to live." Others graft just as the buds on the stock are about to swell. When much of this work is to be done, it is often begun a month or two before the leaves may be expected to start and is continued even after they are full grown.



CLEFT, SADDLE AND WHIP-GRAFTING.

and is commonly employed for the top grafting of old trees. The scion should be in close contact with the stock and the wound well waxed. Saddle grafting needs no explanation. It is used on small plants and oftenest with a terminal bud. The graft is held securely and waxed. This method is sometimes used late in the season. Whip or tongue grafting is also used on small stocks one or two years old. The parts are held firmly by a bandage and if they are above ground must be protected by waxing.

**Pollination of Fruits.**  
All kinds of fruit trees and vines depend upon pollen for success in production. Some fruits that are well supplied with their own pollen will mature, but when the blossoms receive pollen from some other source the fruit reaches nearer perfection. Self-fertile pears have been known to be deficient in seed, and thus of the same variety have given the same unsatisfactory results. Prof. Munson, of the Maine Experiment Station, has found that the size of tomatoes may be quite dependent on the amount of pollen they receive while in bloom, one receiving a larger amount growing four times as large as one receiving only a small quantity. The number of insect visitors in an orchard determines, to a large extent, the amount of cross-pollination carried on, as the pollen of the apple and pear is not produced in sufficient quantity for the proper consistency to be carried by the winds. Three or four varieties of fruits should be planted together that is, three or more varieties of apples, the same of pears, etc., and every variety of grower should have at least one bee of bees.

**Parasitic Insects.**  
A certain authority has stated that a single female house fly might consume the grandmother of 10,000 in eight weeks' time. Some other parasitic insects are

said to breed even more rapidly. There is but one way to exterminate them, and that is to kill the first one as quickly as possible before it has an opportunity of breeding. This is not so difficult if one pays attention to the matter, and as soon as their presence is suspected use any good reliable remedy for them, of which there are many, although we know of none more effective than kerosene emulsion, or a mixture of kerosene one pint in four pints of skim milk in that proportion it may be used safely by a sponge or cloth, rubbing it in to reach the skin. We remember when it was as unusual to see cecidies in the spring that were not troubled with lice as it is now to find a flock of poultry without them, and we hope another half century will banish them from the poultry-yard as generally as the last half century has from the calf-pen.—Exchange.

**Use of Plaster.**  
Before the use of artificial fertilizers became so general, many farmers made a practice of putting a handful of land plaster or gypsum around each hill of corn. They claimed that it caused it to take on a brighter color or a darker green, and that it grew faster. Then they were instructed by the agricultural papers that chemists said plaster had no fertilizing property, and that they should use superphosphate at five or six times the cost. Perhaps the papers were right, for few even of the chemists know then the power which plaster has of absorbing and holding ammonia until it is washed out by the rain, or know how much ammonia might be in the air, to be brought down by rain and dew. We think that it would pay to use plaster in that way now, and we know of nothing that would do so much good at so small a cost. It would probably be of most benefit where there was manure decomposing in the soil to throw off ammonia not yet converted into nitrates.—American Cultivator.

**Chicken Cholera.**  
I have successfully used this simple remedy for years, and never failed to cure a sick fowl. If the medicine was given before the bird was in the last stage of the disease, when no remedy will cure. Boil three ounces of green white ash bark in two quarts of water. After it cools, mix corn meal with it till it is of the consistency for proper feeding. Then add a teaspoonful of cayenne and a tablespoonful of black pepper, and force the fowls to eat it. It will cure every time. Chicken cholera is a diarrhoea, and the bark and pepper act as astringents. Most of the so-called chicken cholera, and gapes in water chickens, are caused by drinking water which stands in the poultry yard and barnyard. These diseases can be largely obviated by having the land well drained and perfectly smooth, so that no water can stand on it after rains, and by keeping pure, fresh water where the fowls can drink at will.—Martha E. Norris.

**What to Plant.**  
There are three things a farmer or gardener should consider before he puts seed in the ground. First, what crop the soil is best adapted to raise. To try to grow that which is not adapted to the soil is a waste of time and labor. Next, what does he understand the care of best? This is less important because he is not very stupid agricultural papers and books of some kind neighbor may teach him enough to make him successful with a crop of which he has had no previous experience. Third, what crop can he find a good market for without too much expense for transportation? Nearly all the farmer's crops are in demand but the weed crop, but not all may sell well in his own neighborhood. Think it over before putting in the seed.

**Swill for Pigs.**  
I see that some one says that swill is not good for pigs. I am sorry of this, for several reasons; first, it ruins the old poet who spoke of the swine squealing for swill. He will now be compelled to say they were squealing for more "balance rations," etc. Then it does away with mother taking that poor little scrubby pig and washing him, will for nine months and then selling him for \$2.30 more than we got for the best in the litter that we had fed at the same time the very best of feed! Sad, isn't it?—B. J. A., in Farmers' Voice.

**To Keep Out Peach Borers.**  
It has been recommended to pile or scatter various substances around the base of peach trees to keep out the borers. Prof. M. V. Slingerland tested tobacco stems (midribs of the leaves) from a factory by winding them around the base of the trees and found the results astonishing. Evidently the tobacco kept out from two-thirds to three-fourths of the borers. Where the stems are cheaply obtainable they would seem worth trying.

**To Tie an Animal.**  
A convenient way to tie a horse or cow where a head stall is not used; take a rope the desired length and thickness, splice harness-snaps in one end, put other end through a small ring, one inch in diameter; the ring in rope just long enough for snap to fit neck. The ring can be easily moved to suit size of neck. It will never slip and endanger the animal's neck.—J. H. Stutz.

**To Kill Caterpillars.**  
I have a way that is a success. Take a pole, any desired length, and bore a small hole in the end, about one-fourth inch, and split the pole. Slip a ring on the pole that will slide easily. Put a fire-cracker in the end of the pole, and slip up the ring to tighten it. Light the fuse and stick it in the caterpillar's nest and it will do the work.—J. P. Tribbett.

**To Get Rid of Hessian Flies.**  
An Indiana farmer claims to have got rid of Hessian fly in wheat by sowing mid-ribs of flax over a field last September as soon as the plants were up, and repeating the operation twice at intervals.

**To Break Up Settling Hens.**  
My cure is somewhat cruel, but they hardly ever want the second dose. Shut them up for three days and three nights, and as a rule you have a complete cure.—W. V. B. Ashland.

The voyage between New York and Liverpool covers 3,032 knots, of distance.

## CORR D'ALENE CASE.

INVESTIGATION IS CLOSED IN WASHINGTON.

Idaho's Attorney Shows that Gov. Steunenberg Acted According to Law and United States Troops Were Properly Summoned.

The arguments in the Court d'Alene investigation were closed by John C. Chaney, attorney for Gov. Steunenberg, and the State of Idaho. He confided himself strictly to the preamble and resolutions which alleged that the constitution had been violated by the declaration of martial law in the State of Idaho without a request from the State Legislature. Attorney Robertson, for the Democrats, devoted almost his entire time to the subject of martial law, which was a practical admission that the testimony did not prove the other allegations set forth. Part of the time he assumed that martial law was not in force and again he undertook to hold Gen. Merriam responsible for all acts committed under martial law, whether by the soldiers or the civil authorities. Mr. Chaney took the position that martial law did exist and had been properly proclaimed. He quoted from the preamble of the resolution, and asserted the rule of law that the parties in the prosecution must be bound by their pleading.

"If martial law is the subject of investigation before this committee," he said, "it is too late for them to go back on their pleading or to say that their case has not been fairly stated." He then took up the question as to whether or not martial law was in violation of

## A BUSINESS LESSON.

Seven Millions More Trade Now Daily Than Under Cleveland.

Bank clearings afford the best guide to the volume of business that is transacted throughout the country. The following figures are from Bradstreet's, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 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## The Avalanche.

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### PHILANTHROPIC AND MISCELLANEOUS.

While the Democrats are howling about calamity, and the anti-imperialists are predicting the country's ruin is refreshing to read that our exports exceed our imports by \$50,000,000 a month. It doesn't look as if the final finish of the country would come right away.

Republicans ought to be glad to take advantage of the divided sentiment among the Democrats in Congress on the shipping bill to pass it. The Democrats themselves have made it impossible, by their division, for their party leaders to make a campaign issue out of the bill or the subject.

The Republicans have captured the Bryan copies in Nebraska, the boy orator's own state, and are lining up in great shape for the big tussle next fall. They were successful recently in many municipal contests, and carried Lincoln, Bryan's home city, by the largest majority in years. Is Nebraska becoming also "the enemy's country?"

The much vaunted victory of the Stearns forces in Bay county suffered something of a collapse in the convention on the 22d inst. An evident reaction had set in since the holding of the caucuses in Bay City, on the 18th inst. and the boasted Stearns majority could not be held together, without making some concession to the strong Bliss sentiment in the county. So Harry Shearer, manager of the Stearns force, after the selection of the delegates moved, that they be instructed to vote solidly for Col. A. T. Bliss as their second A. T. Bliss as their second choice. This motion was carried with a whoop, and so Col. Bliss divided the honors with Mr. Stearns by forcing this confession of weakness.

We don't see some of our Democratic exchanges point to the fulfillment of some of the predictions that they and Billy Bryan made during the campaign of 1896. Are we compelled to pay our taxes in gold coin? Have we 25c wheat, 15c corn, 5c cotton? Have we the hard times predicted? Have we injured our export trade by our tariff laws? Has every other form of money save gold disappeared? Has the circulating medium decreased? Is there a single prediction of Democratic origin that has come true? If so, name it. The trouble is Democrats were never cut out for prophets, and they are just as great failures when they attempt to run this government.—Benton (Ill.) Republican.

Paderewski sailed for Europe on the sixteenth day of May after a wonderfully successful season in America. During his travels he has been working upon "The Century Library of Music" which the Century Co. will soon begin to publish with Mr. Paderewski as editor-in-chief. It will appear in twenty volumes, containing richly illustrated articles upon the great composers of the world, written by other composers, and with music which will include the cream of piano-forte literature, including Paderewski's entire repertoire, each piece newly fingered, phrased and pedaled, according to the latest and highest standards. The work is being prepared under Mr. Paderewski's personal supervision. The first volume will appear in September.

Every democratic member of the House Judiciary committee voted against the proposed constitutional amendment, reported from that committee by the unanimous vote of its republican members, giving Congress authority to define, regulate, control, prohibit or dissolve trusts, monopolies, or combinations, whether existing in the form of corporations or otherwise. That shows what a lot of buncombe is represented by democratic howls for some action against trusts. When republicans propose action of the most sweeping nature the democrats oppose it and attempt to excuse their opposition by trotting out the doctrine of States' rights. The report in favor of the constitutional amendment says: "The power Congress now has is largely one of annoyance. We may strike a blow now here and there, but cannot repress or prohibit such combinations or monopolies. Congress should have power to maintain an open field for honest competition in all industrial enterprises throughout the entire Union. In doing this, Congress should not be compelled to act indirectly, or resort to legislation of questionable expediency, or of doubtful constitutional validity." The committee has also reported a bill amending the Sherman anti-trust law.—Wash. Cor.

### The Census and Persons Away From Home During June.

The count of the people in the United States will begin in all parts of the country June 1, and end in the cities two weeks later and in the rest of the country before the close of the month. The people are to be counted at their places of residence, but as many persons and families will be away from their homes during June there is some danger that such persons will not be counted. If they are not counted, the locality in which they live will be misrepresented to that extent, and in some cases this misrepresentation may be enough to affect the representation in Congress of the state from which they come. Local pride and state pride, therefore, should influence all such absentees to take reasonable precautions against being omitted from enumeration in their places of residence. Such omissions are most likely to occur in the large cities where families close their homes and go elsewhere for the summer. The occurrence of the Paris exposition this year is likely to increase the number absent from the country.

In all cases of contemplated absence the head of the family is requested by the Census Office to communicate with the supervisor of the district in which he lives. He is also requested to leave information regarding his answers to the questions which are to be asked with some responsible neighbor who will agree to see that it reaches the enumerator on his rounds. Such information might better be left as a memorandum in writing, as in that case it is less likely to be overlooked. The questions to which answers are desired apply primarily to the population, but also to all farms and manufacturing establishments. They are being published from time to time in the press of the country.

By taking this trouble the absent citizen will do justice to his locality and his state, and materially aid the Census Office in the performance of its duties.

With all the clamor for free trade with Porto Rico, it should be remembered that the United Kingdom has no absolute free trade with any of her colonies, all of which have different tariff laws to suit their different exigencies. Their products are no more admitted free into the United Kingdom than they are in the United States. With Canada there are special trading concessions, supposed to be mutually beneficial, but in reality more in favor of England than of the Dominion.

People are sick of Free-Trade Swindlers and the proposal to pay honest tollers in 50-cent dollars.

Angry at the Outrageous Proposition to Crush Out Trusts—Wholly at the Expense of Wage Earners' Jobs and Wages, Instead of Downing them at the Expense of Non-Producers.

People are indignant at the Insults Against Jefferson and Jeffersonian Expansion.

Americans will Not Stand "Limiting Production," a la Littlefield, to Pauperize the masses. Remember, Democrats and Republicans, that People Need Employment! They cannot Live On Air!—Central Falls (R. I.) Journal.

The issue has long been before the country. The powerful foreign commercial interests in our great seaports have been hostile to every effort toward upbuilding an American merchant marine, and the people of the interior have been indifferent to a measure in which they have felt little self interest. The time has now come, when we may reasonably expect the foreign antagonism to be crushed and the indifference at home to be overcome. According to the estimates of Senator Freyre we are paying to foreigners about \$1,000,000 a day for carrying our international commerce, and since that commerce is so rapidly increasing it is surely time to provide for an American merchant marine to carry it.—San Francisco Call.

President McKinley is desirous of being as friendly with the floor envoys, who reached the U. S. this week, as diplomatic usage will permit a neutral government to be with the representatives of either of two nations engaged in war. But the gentlemen from South Africa need not expect to add to their prestige in Washington, or anywhere else, by indulging in such veiled threats as those contained in the following language used by Mr. Fischer, one of them: "We should like to have the government arbitrate with England and we shall try to have an audience with President McKinley. If we cannot induce the government to do what we like, we shall try to arouse the people so that they will compel the government to recognize us in that way." Some of the democrats who are trying to make party capital out of the presence of the floor envoys must have been filling Mr. Fischer's cup. In fact the democrats have taken charge of the envoys.

### Additional Local Matter.

#### Memorial Day.

Each recurring 30th day of May appeals to the patriotism of the American people. It is a sacred day in the memory of every American soldier, as they recall the scenes of war with all the terrible sacrifice and suffering incident thereto. As we plant the flag under which they fought upon their graves, and strew their mounds with flowers, let thanksgiving ascend the throne of God, for that their heroism and sacrifice hath given us a re-quieted and ever free nation. While we honor the dead, let us teach the living a lesson of patriotism that shall be never remembered, and shall make secure the freedom and liberty of our people for all time.

#### Unable to Work.

Chas. Replogle of Atwater, O., was unable to work on account of kidney trouble. After using Foley's Kidney Cure four days he was cured. L. Fournier.

#### Decoration Day Programme.

The procession will form at 1.30 p. m., under the direction of R. P. Forbes, officer of the day, and march to the Opera House.

#### PROGRAMME.

Music—Band.  
Music—Glee Club.  
Prayer—Rev. O. W. Willitt.  
Music—School.  
G. A. R. Service—Marvin Post.  
Music—School.  
Exercises—School.  
Music—School.  
Oration—Prof. H. A. Graham.  
Music—Glee Club.

Procession will then reform in column, and march to the cemetery for the closing ceremonies.

#### Cured a Running Sore.

"I had a bad running sore on my breast for over a year," says Henry R. Richards, of Wilkesville, N. Y., "and tried a great many remedies, but got no relief until I used Benger's Saver. After using one half box I was perfectly cured. I cannot recommend it too highly, and will never be without it in the house." L. Fournier.

#### Circuit Court.

Court was closed last week Friday and the cases noted on the calendar were all disposed of. The case of Fournier vs. Robinson was settled without trial; Perkins vs. Robinson, verdict for plaintiff; Tompkins vs. Robinson, no cause for action; Sherman vs. Robinson, was taken from the jury and taken under advisement by the judge, who will render judgment; Evans vs. Rasmussen, judgment for fifty dollars damages and costs of suit.

Nine chances in ten it's your kidneys that need attention if you don't feel well. Foley's Kidney Cure makes healthy kidneys and will make you well. Nothing else "just as good." L. Fournier.

Mrs. W. S. Chalker came down from the farm Saturday. She said W. S. had been here courting all the week, and her experience told her he never knew when to go home when he was courting.

Pneumonia follows La Grippe, but never follows the use of Foley's Kidney and Lung remedy. L. Fournier.

The ladies of the W. R. C. would be very grateful for a contribution of flowers for Decoration Day. They also announce that the dining hall in the G. A. R. and W. R. C. building will be open to out-of-town members as a lunch room.

SOUND advice to those who have kidney and bladder trouble, is to take a safe sure medicine like Foley's Kidney Cure. It always benefits the kidneys. L. Fournier.

The Artist, Burt Wisner, is doing business in the old gallery, and will remain but two weeks, so it will be necessary to get there if you want anything done. He has on exhibition some of the finest photographs work we have ever seen. All styles and sizes. Call and look them over.

Science has found that rheumatism is caused by uric acid in the blood. This poison should be excreted by the kidneys. No rheumatism with healthy kidneys. Foley's Kidney Cure always makes them well. L. Fournier.

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Our General Catalogue quotes them. Send 15c to partly pay postage or expressage and we'll send you one. It has 1100 pages, 17,000 illustrations and quotes prices on nearly 70,000 things that you eat and use and wear. We constantly carry in stock all articles quoted.

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Broom Grass. Much is being said and written about broom grass as a companion or substitute for timothy. The Iowa experiment station has been testing it, and after details in regard to sowing, etc., says of it:

"Owing to its extreme hardness it is one of the first plants to begin growth in the spring when once established. In case of a one-year-old sod, it began to head out six weeks after growth began in spring. The same crop was cut and gave a yield of 12 tons green fodder (June 10) per acre, which cured into 5 tons of hay. It must be remembered that the soil upon which this was grown was very rich. A bare soil, treated in the same manner, produced less than one ton per acre. According to Starlin analysis it is quite similar to timothy in composition. If seeded thickly and cut at the proper time it is a little superior, owing to the leafy nature of its growth. At time of cutting the leaves were stripped off a portion of the crop, and it was found that there was a greater percentage of leaf than of stem."

The broom grass now growing on our farm bears out the above statement, and we believe it is the meadow grass for this section.

#### An Epidemic of Whooping Cough.

Last winter during an epidemic of whooping cough my children contracted the disease. I have severe coughing spells. We had used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy very successfully for croup and naturally turned to it at that time and found it relieved the cough and effected a cure. —John E. Clifford, Proprietor, Norwood House, Norwood, N. Y. This remedy is for sale by L. Fournier.

#### The Musical Lion.

Said the Lion: "Oh music! I adore, But something is wrong with my throat."

When I practice a scale, The listeners quail, And flee at the very first note! —By Oliver Herford, in May St. Nicholas.

I consider it not only a pleasure but a duty I owe to my neighbors to tell about the wonderful cure effected in my case by the timely use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I was taken very badly with flux and procured a bottle of this remedy. A few doses of it effected a permanent cure. I take pleasure in recommending it to others suffering from that dreadful disease. —J. W. Lynch, Dorris, Va. This remedy is sold by L. Fournier.

In a railroad collision near Bagley Tuesday morning, fireman Edwin Deasing was caught in some way and his right leg crushed off. He was brought to Dr. Insley's office by Dr. Harris of Gaylord, where the limb was amputated, and this (Wednesday) morning he is reported as rallying nicely, though very weak. —Latet. He died at 2 o'clock this morning.

The ancients believed that rheumatism was the work of a demon within a man. Any one who has had an attack of sciatica or lumbago, or rheumatism will agree that the notion is a demoniac enough to warrant the belief. It has never been claimed that Chamberlain's Pain Balm would cast out demons, but it will cure rheumatism, and hundreds bear testimony to the truth of this statement. One application relieves the pain, and this quick relief, which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. For sale by L. Fournier.

Mrs. A. J. Rose came home last Friday night, after two years visit with the other children in Savannah, New York. She reports Frank growing fat, and all the family well and happy. An accident has reduced her weight, but it is expected that Grayling air and water will rejuvenate her.

If troubled with rheumatism give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, frostbites, quinsy, pains in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price 25 and 50 cents. L. Fournier, Drug-gist. mar. 1-4m.

#### Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE at MARQUETTE, Mich.  
April 19, 1900.  
NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the District Court of Crawford County, Michigan, on June 1, 1900, viz: Homestead application No. 382, James Williams for the W. 1/2 of NW. 1/4, NE. 1/4 of NW. 1/4 and NW. 1/4 of NE. 1/4 of Section 20, Township 23 North of Range 1 West.  
He claims the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph H. Williams, William Hickey, Hubbard Head, Elmer E. Head, all of Rosemount, Mich.  
april 26-6w THOMAS SCANDEN, Register.

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Don't miss this sale, if you want to save from 25c to 30c on a dollar. Every article greatly reduced in price in order to enable everybody to make their purchases at this store.

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on approval to your address WITHOUT A CENT IN ADVANCE. SEND US YOUR ORDER, state whether you want a man or woman bicycle, color, height of frame and gear wanted and WE WILL SHIP you a bicycle of the highest quality and at a price that will enable you to get it fully before you accept it. It is not at all and more than a bicycle, it is a motor, and you need not pay a cent for it until you have it. We are EXCLUSIVE MONTROSE BICYCLE DEALERS in this territory, and for the purpose of introducing our 1000 MONTROSE BICYCLES, we offer a bicycle at this low price in each territory. We guarantee to make money for you.

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**Mortgage Sale.**

Mortgage sale under the power of sale contained in said mortgage—Charles Deuler and Wealthy E. Demler, his wife, are the mortgagors, and William M. Bradley and Sarah Bradley mortgagees. The mortgage bears date November 21, 1898; was recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, on November 30th, 1898, in liber D of mortgages, page 697. On December 13, 1898 said mortgage was assigned by said William M. and Sarah Bradley to Elora F. Haspel; said assignment was recorded in the office of the register of deeds of said Crawford County on September 28, 1899 in liber D of mortgages on page 608. On September 20, 1899 said mortgage was assigned by Elora F. Haspel to the Commercial Savings Bank Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Ohio, and said assignment was recorded in the office of the register of deeds for said county of Crawford on September 28, 1899, in liber D of mortgages on page 608. The assignee of the mortgage does not declare the principal sum as now due, and there is due at the date of this notice on said mortgage the sum of three hundred and six dollars and twenty cents. The mortgage premises are situated in the township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan and described as follows: The south one-half of the north-west fractional quarter of section thirty, in town twenty-five north of range one west. This land will be sold at public auction at the front door to the court house in the village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, on the 4th day of August, 1900 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage, costs and expenses of said sale, and an attorney fee provided by law. Dated, May 7, 1900.

**COMMERCIAL SAVING'S BANK COMPANY,**  
Assignee of Mortgage,  
JOSEPH PATTERSON,  
Attorney for Assignee, may 10-13w

**MICHIGAN CENTRAL**

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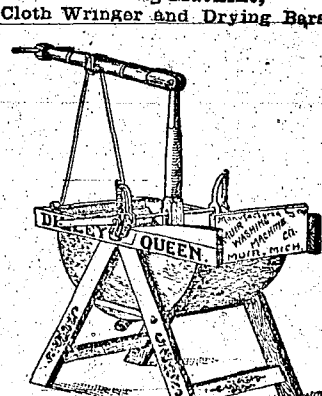
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at our Special Agent, sample price of \$16.50. We guarantee it equal to any \$40 wheel on the market, and you need not pay a cent for it until you have it. We are EXCLUSIVE MONTROSE BICYCLE DEALERS in this territory, and for the purpose of introducing our 1000 MONTROSE BICYCLES, we offer a bicycle at this low price in each territory. We guarantee to make money for you.

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## The Avalanche.

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1900.  
LOCAL ITEMS.

Notice the change in Blumenthal & Baumgart's new Ad.

For Doors, Sash, Glass and Putty go to A. Kraus.

Pay your subscription and subscribe for the Household.

Defiant White Lead Works Paints, Oils and Varnishes at A. Kraus.

For SALE—A good one horse wagon, cheap. H. Stepan.

Crescent Bicycles.

Selling, Hanson & Co.

F. O. Peck has moved into the east end of the village.

Muresco is the best Wall Finish in the market. Sold by Colter & Co.

Rock—To Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brown Saturday, May 12, a daughter.

Headquarters for fishing tackle at Fournier's Drug Store.

Born—Tuesday, May 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Winslow, a daughter.

Crescent Bicycles.

Selling, Hanson & Co.

John Love of Beaver Creek was in town Saturday feeling as jolly as ever.

For a Rambler, Ideal or Hudson Bicycle go to A. Kraus.

John Rasmussen has purchased another pair of black horses, that are beauties.

It will pay you to see our new line of fishing tackle before buying. Fournier's Drug Store.

Crescent Bicycles.

Selling, Hanson & Co.

Regular meeting of Marvin W. R. C., Saturday afternoon the 26th, at the usual hour.

Oliver, Ward, Greenville, and Bement Plows, Harrows and Cultivators for sale by A. Kraus.

Regular meeting of Garfield Circle L. O. G. F. R., Friday the 25th, at the usual hour.

Meetings will be held at the Methodist Protestant Church, by Rev. Rudkowsky, every Thursday evening.

All kinds of garden seed at Salling, Hanson & Co.

Miss L. E. Williams returned from a pleasant visit in the southern part of the state last Saturday.

For SALE—The house and lots known as the Metcalf property, one block north of the school house.

Born—To Rev. and Mrs. Gutchart, in Quince, Mich., May 18th, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Corwin Saturday, May 19th, a daughter.

Field peas and King corn at Salling, Hanson & Co.

T. A. Carney went to Bay City on a business trip last Saturday morning.

M. R. Smith delivers ice from a new Harrison wagon. "The best on wheels."

Geo. L. Alexander has been attending Circuit Court at Gaylord, this week.

Penicular Stoves and Ranges guaranteed the best. Sold by A. KRAUS.

Some of the boys advertise a social hop at the Opera House the evening of the 26th, for the benefit of the band.

May 28th—29th is the date when J. Leahy, the expert optician, will again visit Grayling. Office with Dr. Insley.

Wagons have advanced in price, but we have received another carload and can divide the advance on that account.

All kinds of seed for the farm and garden at Salling, Hanson & Co.

Regular meeting of Marvin Post, No. 240, Grand Army of the Republic, next Saturday evening, the 26th, at the usual hour.

W. Batterson of Frederic returned last week from a visit to New York, stopping at Jackson on his way home. He reports a pleasant trip.

Seed for the farm and garden in best quality only. Salling, Hanson & Co.

Chas. Pietzke, an old resident to Blaine, is selling his stock and tools, with the intention to move to Detroit.

Albert Kraus has just received a full line of fishing tackle which he sells at reasonable prices. The only tackle that catches the fish.

Thos. Webb, of Frederic, was in town Tuesday. He reports his corn up, but being eaten by a worm of some kind.

Invest a few dollars in fertilizer and see the result. Phosphate and Potato Grower at Salling, Hanson & Co.

## Muresco!

We are headquarters for Muresco. The painters claim this is the best wall finish, so it must be so. Try a package! Salling, Hanson & Co.

Mrs. Frank Ayers returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit with old friends in Saginaw and Bay City.

For SALE—Two horses, 1 wagon, 1 buggy, 1 cultivator, 2 calves, and some hens. Carl Pietzke, Blaine township.

Advised Letters—Ralph Loveland, Charley O'Leary, Henry Gram, Wilfred Douthett, Camille Deslover, F. M. Currier.

A. J. Love draws the reins over a pair of drivers which do not propose to take the dust from anything, in these parts.

It is expected that the school will form in column at the school grounds and join the procession at that point on Decoration Day.

Dates & Co. have purchased a fine horse of N. Michelson for their delivery wagon; as old Barney was unable to continue the work.

Misses Marcella Kendrick and Edie McLarty came down from their schools in Maple Forest Friday evening for a visit over Sunday.

B. F. Sherman brought in a fine load of timothy hay, Tuesday. This looks much better than seeing farmers drawing baled hay from town.

We expect the Opera House will be crowded for Decoration Day, but trust the small children will not preempt the room to the exclusion of adults.

Mammoth Glover, June Glover, White Glover, Alsike, Alfalfa, Timothy, Millet Seed, add Hungarian at Salling, Hanson & Co.

President McKinley, Mrs. U. S. Grant and her daughter Nellie, Mrs. Sartoris, will attend the National encampment, G. A. R., at Chicago, Aug. 27th.

J. W. Sorenson is agent for the sale of the best Sewing Machines in the market. Machines guaranteed. Call and examine machines, and get prices.

Last Sunday there was an immense forest fire in the north part of 27th and Monday evening another plainly visible in the west part of the same town.

Don't suffer with headache or weak eyes, when a pair of properly fitting glasses will cure. Consult J. Leahy when he comes, May 28th and 29th. His work is fully warranted.

Miss Amanda Anderson and her sister, Mrs. Jorgenson and baby, left Sunday evening for their old home in Sweden, where they will visit for some time.

Washington Alger and his mother drove down from Lewiston Monday, for a visit with his brother Ed. "Wash" has changed his ebony beard to a light silver gray.

Nearly two score of excursionists took the train here Saturday morning for Bay City and Detroit and intermediate points, returning on Monday. All report an enjoyable time.

Orders for parts of all kinds, and for all kinds of Sewing Machines will have special attention at J. W. Sorenson's. He also keeps a good assortment of Machine Needles.

Mrs. C. B. Tompkins has returned to her friends at Kalkaska, her two brothers taking her and children Sunday morning. Her many friends wish her a happy future in her new home.

For SALE—Cheaper than to pay rent, one of the coziest homes in Grayling, in good repair, and nicely situated. Also a fine six octave organ. Enquire at the "Avalanche" office.

J. S. Hempstead has bought the Benson residence, and is moving it across the street and on the corner lot north. It will be in a much better location, and greatly reduces the fire risk or that side of the street.

Ladies if you want your shirt waists done up just as good as new bring them to the Grayling Steam Laundry. You can also have your lace curtains done up for fifty cents per pair during the month of May.

The Social and Supper given by the Band at G. A. R. hall, last Friday evening, was a complete success, and our citizens were treated with a large number of excellent selections of fine music. The boys are excellent in their work.

L. M. Francis has gone to East Jordan where he will engage in business, conducting a general blacksmith and repair shop. He is a first class mechanic in iron and wood and the people of that village can be certain of good work and fair treatment. He has been a resident of this country for over twenty years and will be missed as a good citizen and a general comrade of the G. A. R., of which he is an active and enthusiastic member.

A Fast Bicycle Rider. Will often receive painful cuts, sprains or bruises from accidents. Luckless's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and heal the injury. It's the cyclist's friend. Cures chafing, chapped hands, sore lips, burns, ulcers and piles. Cures guaranteed. Only 25c. Try it. Sold by L. Fournier druggist.

Lost—On the night of May 11th on the road from a clubhouse on the Ausable to Grayling, a telescope containing fishing paraphernalia. A liberal reward will be paid by returning the same to McCullough's Livery office.

The Board of Review of the township of Grayling will be in session next Monday, May 28, to meet any taxpayers who may desire to examine their assessment, at the town hall.

A. TAYLOR, Supervisor.

A Keen, Clear Brain.

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your stomach and liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by L. Fournier, druggist.

Late Pupils.

The following pupils were late last week:

High School—None.

Grades 6 and 7—None.

Grade 5—One.

Grade 4—Three.

Grade 3—None.

Grade 2—None.

Grade 1—Three.

Tortured a Witness.

Intense suffering was endured by witness T. L. Martin, of Dixie, Ky., before he gave this evidence: I coughed every night until my throat was nearly raw; then tried Dr. King's New Discovery which gave instant relief. I have used it in my family for four years and recommend it as the greatest remedy for coughs, colds and all throat, chest and lung troubles. It will also take away the pain and not only prevents but absolutely cures consumption. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at L. Fournier's Drug Store.

Never in the history of Montmorency county has there been so great a rush for farm land as at present. People are scouring through the woods in every direction in search of State land for farming purposes, and the county is being rapidly settled. There is still plenty of good farm land in this vicinity, which can be bought cheap, and those wishing to get homes should not delay or they will be too late.—Atlanta Tribune.

A Woman's Swift Peril.

"There is only one chance to save your life and that is through an operation" were the startling words heard by Mrs. I. B. Hunt of Lime Ridge, Wis., from her doctor after he had vainly tried to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed, and she constantly grew worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters, which wholly cured her. It's a wonderful stomach, liver and kidney remedy. Cures dyspepsia, loss of appetite. Try it. Only 50 cts. Guaranteed. For sale by L. Fournier.

J. C. Richardson and wife of South Branch were in town Saturday. They have given up their idea of moving to Washington, and will stay in the best county of the best state of the Union.

Notice.

Parties having young cattle can find a ready market for them by applying to us. We will pay highest market price.

SALLING, HANSON & CO.

Detroit Live Stock Market.

M. C. LIVE STOCK YARDS, Detroit May 15, 1900.

The demand for live cattle is active this week; receipts have been moderate of late. The following prices are being paid at the Detroit Live Stock Market:

Prime steers and heifers \$4.75 to \$5.10; heavy butchers' cattle, \$4.25 to \$4.60; common, \$3.00 to \$4.00; cows, \$1.50 to \$2.50; stockers and feeders active at \$3.25 to \$4.50.

Milch cows, steady at \$25.00 to \$50.00; calves, active at \$4.00 to \$6.50.

Sheep and lambs, small receipts and higher; prime lambs \$6.00 to \$8.50; mixed \$4.50 to \$7.50; culled \$3.00 to \$5.00.

Hogs are the leading feature in this market; fair receipts; trade is active at the following prices: Prime mediums \$5.40 to \$5.45; Yorkers \$5.25 to \$5.40; pigs \$4.95 to \$5.00; rough \$4.25 to \$5.00; stags 1 off; cripples, \$1.00 per cwt. off.

Notice for publication.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Land Office, at Marquette, Mich., May 16th, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Crawford County, Michigan, on July 24, 1900, viz:

H. M. Stedman, application No. 9930, David R. Spencer, for the S<sup>1</sup> of the SW<sup>1</sup> and NW<sup>1</sup> of the SW<sup>1</sup> of section 32, T<sup>2</sup> N<sup>2</sup> R<sup>2</sup> W. He claims the following wild berries to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jasper N. West, Samuel Osterlander, R. D. Dabert, and Leon Stephen, all of Grayling, Mich.

THOMAS SCADDEN, Register.

may 21-0w

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Claggett & Blair want you to trade at their store and they will use you right, supply your wants in nice fresh Groceries and Dry Goods, and 'Phit your Phut' with Shoes. We enumerate a few of our specialties.

Black Cat Leather Stockings for boys.

Ladies' 10 cent Hose that don't wear out.

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Ladies' Fancy Summer Skirts.

Ladies' Fancy Summer Corsets, 50 cents.

McArthur's Patent Flour, Best for Bread.

Ja-Vo-Blend, Best 25 cent Coffee on earth.

Royal Mocha and Java for 35 cents.

Pure Lard, Hams, Shoulders and Bacon.

Special Attention given to fitting out orders for Fishing Parties.

Remember the place at

CLAGGETT & BLAIR'S

DISINFECTANTS.

We have just received a full supply of Disinfectants, such as Chloride of Lime, Copperas, Formaldehyde, Sulphur, Carbolic Acid, etc. To make use of them to disinfect your surroundings is to prevent contagious diseases and their spreading. For sale at

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Druggist, Grayling, Mich.

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GALE PLOW, or a

HARROW, (Spike, Spring or Wheel.)

CULTIVATOR or WHEEL HOE,

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A CHAMPION BINDER,

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Will make regular trips to Grayling the 10th of each month, remaining for three days. Office with Dr. Insley.

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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

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Office hours—9 to 12 a. m., and 2 to 6 p. m.

Mortgage Sale.

MORTGAGE sale under the power of sale contained in mortgage. Mary Slaght is the mortgagee and Standard Savings and Loan Association of Detroit, Michigan, is the mortgagee. The mortgage bears date April 20th, 1898; was recorded July 2, 1898; in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan; in Liber 17 of Mortgages, on pages 481 and 482. Mortgage does hereby declare that on this date said mortgage One hundred five and 10/100 Dollars, was mortgaged to said mortgagee by the late Wm. J. Slaght, deceased, and that said mortgage is now due and there is due on said mortgage One hundred five and 10/100 Dollars. The mortgagee, Standard Savings and Loan Association, of Detroit, Michigan, in the village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, on Friday, the 27th day of July, 1900, will sell at public auction, to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage, costs and expenses of sale, and the balance to be paid in said mortgage and by law. Dated May 2nd, 1900.

STANDARD SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, Mortgagee.

BARRON & WEXFORD, Auctioneers for Mortgagee, may 13-0w 30 Bush Block, Detroit, Michigan.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Crawford.

A. A. Sorenson of the Probate Court, for said county, held at the Probate Office, in the village of Grayling, on the third day of April, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

Present John J. Cowgsey, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Marlan C. Batterson, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified by Elmer Batterson, a son of said deceased, praying that the administration of the above named estate may be granted to Wellington Batterson or some other suitable person.

Upon this it is ordered: That Monday, the 27th day of April next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, be and is assigned as the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate may be required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held in the Probate Office in the village of Grayling, Michigan, on the 27th day of April, next, to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

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WITNESSED my hand and the seal of said court, this 10th day of April, A. D. 1900.

J. J. COVENTRY, Judge of Probate.

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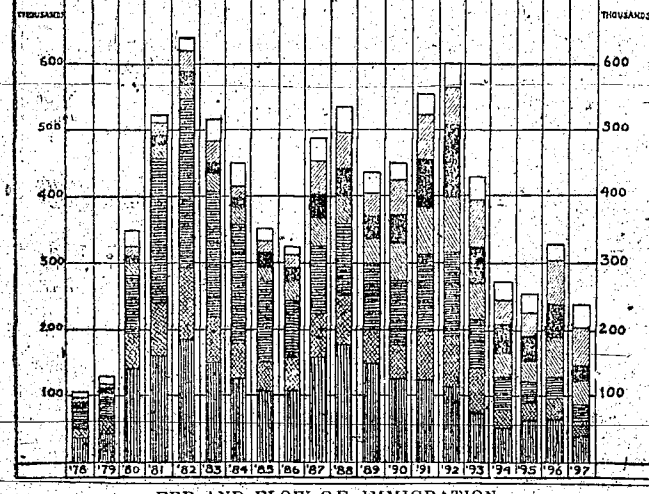


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## TIDE OF IMMIGRATION

Its Ebbs and Flows Have Left Nearly 20,000,000 Foreigners on Our Shores.

NOT only does immigration into the United States exceed that into any other country in the world, but it is of a character which makes the subject one of the greatest interest and well worth the study of the historian and political economist. In ancient times whole nations emigrated and sought new homes, driven from their former ones by oppression and force, or lured from them by the attractions of more fertile fields and more



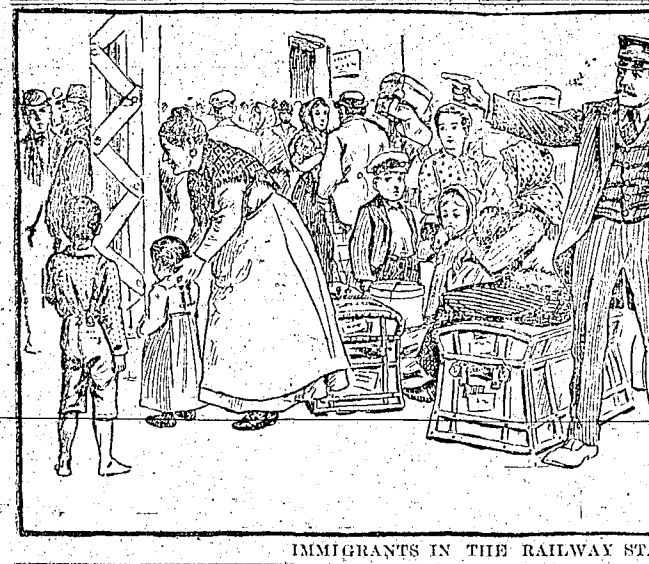
genial climates of other regions. One of the greatest of these early migrations was the passage of 2,500,000 Israelites out of Egypt into Palestine. But, as is pointed out in the report of the State Board of Labor Statistics, "not since the confusion of tongues at Babel, which led to the scattering of the people abroad upon the face of the earth, has there been anything of such a cosmopolitan nature as that which forms the phenomenal immigration to the American States."

From the treaty of peace with England in 1783 to June 30, 1898, according to a careful collation of the figures of accepted authorities, there arrived in the States 10,068,556 immigrants, drawn from every nation under the sun. Statistics of immigration were not kept until 1819, "but it is conceded by statistical experts that the number of immigrants arriving in the twenty-six years preceding was 250,000, exclusive of negroes." In the early periods of immigration a whole year did not bring to these shores as many immigrants as a single week. "In 1718, the landing at Boston of five vessels, having on board 750 Irish immigrants, and



EXAMINATION BEFORE THE HEALTH OFFICERS.

In 1729 the arrival at Philadelphia in one week of several small ships containing passengers from Ireland excited much comment; while even toward the close of that century the entry into New York harbor in one day of two vessels laden with Germans created a



IMMIGRANTS IN THE RAILWAY STATION.

sensation. During the era of Dutch rule in New Netherlands a couple of ships annually conveyed all the reinforcements to the colony, and in that whole time the immigration consisted of only a few thousand. From the time when the tide of immigration really began to set toward these shores until now, New York has been the great receiving and distributing point for the seekers of new homes. Of the entire number of immigrants who arrived in the United States from Oct. 1, 1810, to June 30, 1898, nearly 90 per cent. debarked at the port of New York. This has had much to do with keeping New York a cosmopolitan community. Governor Roosevelt, in writing of New York in 1876, says: "New York's population was composed of various races, differing widely in blood, religion and conditions of life. In fact,

has decreased. The immigration of English and Welsh rose steadily until 1871, when for ten years there was a falling off. In the succeeding ten years, however, English and Welsh immigrants increased rapidly, outnumbering the Irish, and being second only to the Germans. In the last seven years they again have fallen below the Irish in numbers. Italian immigration was small up to 1870, but since then it has rapidly been increasing, and in the last seven years nearly half a million Italians have arrived here. Prior to 1871 immigration from Russia and Poland was small, but since then it has been increasing fast, and since 1890 over 417,000 immigrants from those countries have arrived. The immigrants arriving in the United States in the four years ending June 30, 1898, brought to this country in cash the sum of \$16,437,429.

### NORWAY.

In One District Consumption Has Increased Alarmingly. In writing of the terrible scourge of consumption in Norway, United States Consul Victor E. Nelson, located at Bergen, says: "In November of last year Dr. Claus Hansen, of Bergen, delivered a lecture before the Storting, at Christiania, on the causes of tuberculosis and the fight against it. He stated that during the 30 years of his own experience consumption had increased in the Bergen district 80 per cent. In the year 1869, 54.5 per cent. of all deaths between 15 and 30 years of age were caused by tuberculosis, and statistics show that about 7,000 of the inhabitants of Norway die every year of this disease. In England, he continued, they have succeeded during the last 50 years in reducing one-half the number of tuberculous cases, and physicians attribute this to the increasing cleanliness in English home life and the erection of consumptive hospitals. The foremost endeavor in fighting tuberculosis should be to agitate for greater cleanliness in general, particularly should efforts be directed against the habit of expectorating."

Again, aside from the civil-war period and that part of the present decade ending June 30, 1898, the incoming wave of each decennial term rose higher than the one immediately preceding it. Germany has furnished the largest number of immigrants to the United States. Next in order are Ireland, England and Wales, Norway and Sweden.



THE TRANSPORTATION AGENT.

so great that the German invalid-insurance companies erect these institutions simply for reasons of economy.

Another Ideal Shattered. She was a kindly faced woman, and it was easy to see that she was bubbling over with love for the little folk. She walked modestly into the office of the city editor and inquired: "Will you please tell me which one of the staff it is writes all those pretty little stories about children? I know he must love the little folks, because he writes such nice stories about them. I want to tell him a precious little story about my darling boy, who is only—"

"That's the man over there," interrupted the city editor. "Which one, pray?"

"That one with the corn-cob pipe in his mouth and standing at the office boy."—Omaha World-Herald.

How He Lost His Job. An exchange tells the story of an old colored man who asked a white man if he could give him work. The white

man asked the negro if he had a boat. When the negro replied, "Yes, boss," the white man responded: "Well, you see all that driftwood floating down the river?"

"Yes, sah," was the reply.

"Well, then," continued the white man, "you row out in the river and catch that driftwood, and I'll give you half you get."

The colored man worked hard for a while, when all of a sudden he stopped and pulled for the shore.

On being asked the reason for his return, he replied: "Dat wood is just as much tyme as 't is. I aint gwine to give him any, and so I'm out of work again."

Colds are not exactly contagious, but they are catching.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN.

### OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Queer Visitation of Locusts—Scottish Tobacco Factory to Be Demolished—John Young Men Drowned—Cramped in His Shop—Fighting Killa Student.

A report comes from Troy that a show of locusts, millions in number, fell from that section, and that the insects completely devastated the land of all vegetation. They filled the air like a cloud and darkened the view of the sun. The insects were yellow and green, with long legs and big heads. "I wish you saw the appearance of the locusts," said one of the extraordinary spectacle. "A large crowd, denser in its lower than in its upper part, came from the west. The nearer side opened up suddenly and millions of the insects began pelting everything. Houses and people could not stand a moment against the aggressive rain of the buzzing creatures. Animals and men at once sought shelter. As the insects alighted a vast area of land, changed color. Every little creature veered himself around head to wind and countless multitudes attacked vegetation. In an incredibly short time the insects had eaten up every green thing, and after the grass and leaves were devoured they ate the bark of shrubs and trees. Then they flew away."

To Cancel Michigan University Risks. Secretary Wade, acting under instructions of the auditor general of the State, has given notice to the Ann Arbor insurance agents to cancel all policies on the university buildings and contents except a small risk on the boiler plant. The total amount of insurance which has been carried is a quarter of a million dollars. This action is in accordance with the plan of the State administration, which considers that Michigan is rich enough to carry its own risks on its public buildings, and that there is a prospective profit in it for insurance companies the State can afford to assume the chance.

Closes a \$3,000,000 Plant. In Detroit the Scotch tobacco factory has been closed. It was bought two years ago by the Continental Tobacco Company, the price being \$3,000,000. It will be shut down, and the machinery will be taken to other factories owned by the trust, where the Scotch men will be employed more economically. Nine hundred employees are thrown out of work, many of whom have partly paid for homes on their hands, bought under contracts with the late David Scott.

Two Drowned in Grand River. Winslow P. Burdham, manager of the new State telephone exchange, and Elmer A. Snell, driver of the city fire truck, were drowned in Grand River at Ionia, being capsized in a steel duck hunting boat. Both bodies were recovered. A fisherman near by on shore says both men were standing on the boat when it turned over. Burdham was a son of the late Winslow P. Burdham, who was one of Ionia's wealthiest citizens.

Student Killed by Lightning. Henry H. Brink, aged 25 years, of Hamilton, member of the senior class of Hope College, Holland, was killed by lightning while preparing for breakfast at the home of Henry J. Luideen, a broken collar button and burned shirt band indicate where the bolt struck, passing in his hair, leaving a streak of discoloration running down the side of his right foot, and burning the floor and carpet under him.

Marsh Denied New Trial. At Lansing Judge West announced that the motion for a new trial in the case of Gen. A. F. Marsh was denied. The motion was argued by Judge Speed and F. A. Baker, and the chief reason assigned was the fact that L. Spive, one of the Marsh jurors, was not a taxpayer in the city of Lansing.

Barber Cremated. At New Baltimore the barber shop of J. B. Chase was discovered to be on fire. An alarm was sounded, but the shop, which was formerly a photographer's car, was beyond saving, and when its sides fell in the smoke the horrified crowd saw Chase's body lying in the ruins.

State News in Brief. Forest fires all over Alpena County have done much damage to ties, posts and other timber.

Alcona County grangers are taking steps looking toward the establishment of a grange.

Mrs. Annie Marchison, wife of a prominent Waterbury farmer, was instantly killed in a runaway accident.

D. G. Roome, living with Emory Sayles, in the township of Burr, fell down stairs and was instantly killed.

The mine managers of the Houghton district have decided to present a united front to the demands of the men.

Empty houses are so scarce in Lowell that people wishing to locate there are compelled to buy in order to obtain possession.

The body of Everett Banks, drowned at Saugatuck May 2, was found floating in the river about a mile below where his canoe was found.

Arrangements have been perfected for the establishment of a school of marine engineering at the university at Ann Arbor, under the supervision of Prof. M. E. Cooley, engineer on the cruiser Yosemite during the late war.

Underground work at the Osceola mine in Calumet has been suspended and 800 men are idle. The tramway demands a 10 per cent advance. The demand was not granted and they quit work. They kept the miners from going down the shaft and succeeded in tying up the mine.

During a heavy electrical storm the farm barn of Frank Munn, in Brady township, was struck by lightning and burned, two horses being cremated.

Joseph Parent was instantly killed at the Chapin mine, Iron Mountain, while engaged in braking on an ore train. He was 23 years old and unmarried.

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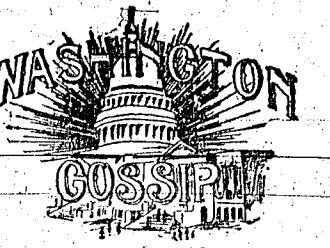
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WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

The "war room" is still maintained at the White House, and maps of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands still hang on the wall. Col. Montgomery, who is a sort of military secretary to the President, keeps up the practice that was commenced at the beginning of the war and marks the position and the movement of every regiment and detached battalion and man-of-war and transport in the service by means of different colored flags mounted upon pins. By a single glance across a map of the world serving for a map, the President can locate every company or battery in the army and every ship and transport in the navy, and the flags are moved as the changes are reported to the adjutant general or the bureau of navigation, for all the dispatches they receive are forwarded to the President promptly. Every flag bears an inscription to show what it represents. Thus the President can obtain all the information concerning the movements of the army and navy without a guide.

Out of 88,000 civil employees of the Government of the United States whose names appear in the blue book, 2,582 bear the name of Smith, and 474 the name of John Smith. The Joneses are next in number, 1,523 being on the payroll, with 1,102 Browns and 1,004 Johnsons. "Eighteen people of the name of George Washington are serving for the country in official positions and fifty-two ordinary Washingtons. Two persons of the name of William McKinley are on Uncle Sam's payroll. One draws a salary of \$4,166 a month as President and the other \$100 a month as engineer in the Louisville custom house. There are forty-eight Browns, a real one of them was christened William. We used to have two Grover Clarks in the public service, but only one now, who is assistant farmer at Fort Peck Indian agency and receives a salary of \$180 a month.

Qualifications prescribed by the Post-office Department for rural free delivery carriers stipulate that they must be able to read and write, be energetic, furnish a horse and buggy and be willing to travel twenty miles or more each day, rain or shine, give bond to the amount of \$500, and be satisfied to receive no return salary of about \$300 a year. The department is paying carriers at present on the average \$400 a year; but within the next thirty days will raise the maximum to \$500. Appointments are made almost invariably upon the recommendation of Congressmen, the Representative having the privilege of an enumerator, carriers in his district. These recommendations are respected, without regard to the politics of the Congressman, provided the applicant meets the requirements.

Director Merriam of the census bureau has appointed over 50,000 enumerators. This great army of census takers will have time to drill and learn their business. All the blanks have been sent out from Washington, several trainloads of them, covering all the many and varied branches of inquiries. Every enumerator has been equipped with a portfolio, an outfit of stationery and all the tools necessary to record the answers that will be given to each question, and circulars of instruction and explanation of the minutest nature have been forwarded for the study of Col. Merriam's great army. So clear and comprehensive are these instructions that an enumerator who is very stupid if he cannot understand them.

Every fine day in Washington, in one of the northwest sections, can be seen the pathetic figure of the Rev. William H. Millburn, the blind chaplain of the Senate, rubbing for recreation. His duties in the Capitol are brief, and these little outings are possible frequently. It is said of this veteran clergyman that he won his appointment years ago by his faithfulness to conscience in reproving a party of profane Senators and Representatives on a steamboat. They stopped playing cards and drinking and suggested that he should apply for the chaplaincy of the Senate.

There is need of additional men in the Philippines, and it will be necessary to open additional recruiting offices and increase the facilities for getting enlisted men. The number of men required to replace soldiers discharged from service with the force under Gen. Arthur is fully 100 per week. There are 3,500 vacancies in the enlisted force, a number which is daily increasing, with scant prospect that the present rate of enlistment will ever replace it. It is proposed to establish new recruiting offices at points throughout the country where men are likely to be secured.

The opinion of the Supreme Court affirming the constitutionality of the inheritance tax was a surprise to many learned lawyers, who expected a decision similar to that in the income tax case. They reasoned on the theory that it is unlawful for the Federal Government to impose a direct tax upon a man's property when he is living it should be equally unlawful to impose a tax when he is dead. The court, however, makes "the distinction very clear."

Joseph De Haven loaned the Government of the United States \$50,000 125 years ago, and now Uncle Sam is to pay the money to his heirs after litigation which has been ever raging for generations. The claim against the Government, with interest, amounts to \$3,000,000, and this is to be divided among the De Haven heirs.

Senator Pettus adheres to the old-fashioned custom of keeping his office in his hat, and when he starts out from home in the morning it is filled with letters and papers, which he distributes among the different departments as he works his way downtown. He gathers a good many papers on the route, and when he arrives at the capitol his old black broad-brimmed slouch hat is bulging with letters and documents. When he takes it off he dumps the contents upon his desk in the Senate chamber and sends it to the clock room by a page.

The Philadelphia mint is carrying out an order from Washington to coin as much gold and silver as possible "until further instructions." Twenty, ten and five-dollar gold pieces, and dollar, half-dollar and quarter-dollar silver pieces and dimes are being turned out as fast as the employees can work.

The Chinese minister to the United States is having built, along his plan to himself, a gorgeous automobile of the phonon type. The body will be painted a brilliant Oriental yellow, and the velvet upholstery will be of the same hue.



**Sealed His Wife Up.**  
A doctor in the city of London, England, who is a specialist in the treatment of the venereal disease, has been reported to have sealed up his wife in a room, where she was suffering from the disease, and to have refused to let her out until she was cured.

**Curiosity Saves Life.**  
A pack of the "Curious" was sent to a woman in the city of London, England, who was suffering from the venereal disease. She was told that the pack was a cure for the disease, and she took it. She was cured.

**Her Opportunity.**  
She had a chance to get a job in the city of London, England, but she was told that she was not good enough for the job. She was told that she was not good enough for the job.

**What Do the Children Drink?**  
Don't give them tea or coffee. Have them drink the new food drink called GRAIN-O. It is delicious and nourishing, and it is the best thing for children to drink.

**The Boss.** So you want a job, do you? What can you do? What can you do? What can you do?

### THE HEALTH OF YOUNG WOMEN

Two of them helped by Mrs. Pinkham. One of them helped by Mrs. Pinkham. One of them helped by Mrs. Pinkham.

**DEAR MISS PINKHAM.**—I am sixteen years old and have been troubled with my monthly sickness. It is very irregular, occurring only once in two or three months, and is very painful. I also suffer with dizziness and once in a while pain strikes me in the heart and have drowsy headaches. If there is anything you can do for me, I will gladly follow your advice.

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### MAFEEKING IS FREE.

**SIEGE IS RAISED AFTER MONTHS OF PERIL.**

**Baden-Powell's Garrison of British Soldiers Freed from the Boer Camps Which Has Surrounded Them Since the Opening of the War.**

Advised reached Sydney, N. S. W., Friday, announcing the raising of the Mafeking siege. The news was received with enthusiasm, and a holiday was proclaimed. A special dispatch from Lord Roberts says the last 500 refugees who had been taken to the Boer camps were freed. The Mafeking siege was raised after months of peril.

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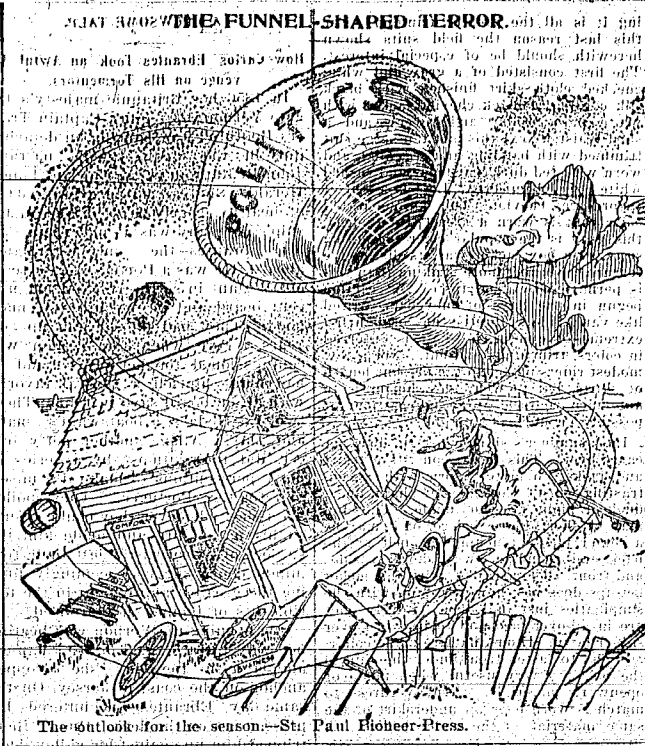
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**MEETING OF PRESBYTERIANS.**  
One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Assembly Held in St. Louis.

The Presbyterian general assembly, the largest body of that church, began its one hundred and twelfth annual meeting at the Washington Hotel in St. Louis, Monday, July 10, 1899.

The assembly was held in St. Louis, Missouri, and was the largest body of that church to meet there.

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**LIBBY, McNEIL & LIBBY.**  
Housekeepers frequently feel the need of household necessities which are either ready to serve or can be prepared for the table at a moment's notice. Such a need is abundantly supplied in the superior meats put up by the reliable house of Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago, one of whose specialties is advertised in another column of this paper, and their booklet "How to Make Good Things to Eat," is offered free on application.

**Why He Weighed Unlocked Safe.**  
Burglaries have been epidemic in Tucson, Ariz., of late. The industry has attained such proportions that merchants no longer use their safes for the storage of cash, but rather to hang up painted cards saying: "This safe is unlocked. Despite these precautions, several valuable safes have been cracked. The mystery has been solved by the arrest of a young Mexican by name Ramirez, caught in the act of tampering with the combination of the safe of Bank's bottling works, obligations of the plaintiff before him that told that the safe had not been shot. The explanation is his profession by inability to read."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

**Boer Commandant Surprised and Captured Near Koonstad.**  
It has been officially announced by the London War Office that Gen. Methuen entered Koonstad, Thursday, and captured the Boer commandant and his forces. The Boer commandant was surprised and captured near Koonstad.

**Great Wheat Granaries.**  
The British government is discussing the feasibility of building national granaries and storing vast quantities of wheat against the emergency of war or famine.

**Very Low Rates.**  
The B. O. R. & N. Ry. will make very low rates to Sioux Falls, S. D., for the A. O. U. W. meeting in June.

**Tea Making.**  
Tea can be made for individual cups by a new attachment, having a metal disk to rest on the top of the cup, with a screen basket in the center in which the tea is placed, a cap closing the opening after the hot water is poured in.

**Save the Labels.**  
and write for list of premiums we offer

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**ALL DRUGGISTS**  
To any truly thoughtful mother from bowel troubles and the fear to buy CASCARETS, we will send a box free. Address: Siedle Remedy Company, Chicago, New York, mentioning advertisement and paper.

**Morning Tiredness**  
In a serious complaint. It's a warning that should be heeded. It is a sign of an honest tired feeling. It is a sign of poor blood. You can cure it by making your blood rich and pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla. That is what other people do—thousands of them. Take a few bottles of this good medicine now and you will get rid of that weak, languid, exhausted feeling.

**Tired Feeling.**—I had that tired feeling and did not have life or ambition to accomplish my usual amount of household work. Hood's Sarsaparilla gave me relief and also cured a colic tendency. Mrs. R. Merritt, Duxbury, Mich.

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## BOB WHITE'S MESSAGE.

A meadow wind, and a bar of song—  
"O Bob White! O Bob White!"  
The morn'g has tumbled the heavy call  
In the front of her eyes—  
And tawny-brown, waving, waving, waving,  
"O Bob White—Bob White!"

Blowing white clover in the sound—  
"O Bob White! O Bob White!"  
Scent of wild lilies in dim wood-ways,  
Hint of the earliest haying days—  
When honey-blossoms grew ruddy and round—  
"O Bob White—Bob White!"

Yellow June apples are turning ripe—  
"O Bob White! O Bob White!"  
There's a still half-lost in a rose-vine's  
hold—  
"O Bob White—Bob White!"

And a moss-lipped spring that is deep and cold—  
You know it all when you hear the  
pipe—  
"O Bob White—Bob White!"

A missed refrain in the autumn chill—  
"O Bob White! O Bob White!"  
But dreams will lurk in the frosty fell,  
And echoes ring like a silver bell,  
When winter tips over the hill—  
"O Bob White—Bob White!"  
—Yon's Companion.

## TED'S ROSE.

It was Ted's birthday; he was dressed in his best for the afternoon's outing in the park, and he was very particular not to soil his new shoes at the crossing, so he kept a look-out for dry spots, until some one called to him:

"Hello, Teddy!" said a friendly voice from the florist's window. "You look very fine this morning."

"It's my birthday, and I'm seven years old to-day," Ted answered proudly.

"Well, well, you're quite a man, sure enough," Mr. Burke laughed. "Wait a moment, Ted; I have just the thing you want." He came out presently with three long-stemmed yellow tea-roses, their cups of gold fairly brimming with delicious fragrance.

"Been training them for this very occasion," he explained cheerily, "and they opened just in time. They'll keep a long while if you're real careful."

Ted was inordinately fond of flowers—yellow tea-roses by preference—he had them on birthdays, holidays, and as often between times as his mamma could afford; but there had been no roses of late; things had gone woefully wrong at the office, and Ted had to be contented with looking at the plants in the florist's windows. He thanked Mr. Burke, and walked away with the roses held protectively out of range of hurrying passers-by, and it was hard to say which was the lovelier, the roses or the cherub-like face of the boy.

The crowd looked his progress at the street corner, and while he waited he heard a man say, in a low, distinct voice:

"Comes that miser, Northcutt, the poorest man in New York."

"And the most ungrateful," said his companion.

Ted had the curiosity to run ahead to look at the most unhappy man in New York. He was very tall and thin and sick-looking. Ted wondered how he came to be so well dressed, for even to his unpracticed eye he presented a good appearance. Somebody must have given him his old clothes, of course, just as papa always gave his clothes to poor people. Ted watched him with sympathetic interest, and even followed him to the door of a nearby restaurant, where he took a seat at a side table, and Ted could see his face very clearly. Yes, he certainly did look very unhappy, and no one seemed to care about him in the least; he would just slip in and give him a rose—that would please him.

Ted picked out the largest and handsomest rose and carried it carefully up the fast-filling aisle between the tables and laid it on the table before the poor, old, miserly man in New York. He started, turned round, and eyed the little donor sharply.

"Hello, who are you?" he asked very brusquely.

"I'm Ted Winterburn," came the surprised answer.

The old man's lips moved and he seemed about to ask another question. He knew Ted's father very well indeed, he had him in a "corner," where he intended to keep him till his last dollar was gone. The thought of that triumph gave him a great deal of satisfaction when he remembered certain affairs of the past in which Winterburn had defeated his interests.

"Huh!" he muttered. "Roses in mid-winter! Such extravagance! He deserves his bad luck. I don't think you'd better give these away," he said aloud; "they don't belong to you."

"Why, yes, they do!" Ted answered indignantly. "Mr. Burke gave them to me for my birthday."

"Oh, he did? Well, that's different," he took the long-stemmed rose in his thin hand and sniffed at it gingerly. "Much obliged, I'm sure," he said, on second thought.

Ted looked over the meager fare pitifully. There was anything in the world he disliked it was cambric tea and dry toast, such as he saw lying on the poor man's plate. He could not know that his friend's ladies appetite refused to take anything but the most necessities. He slipped the cambric tea in silence until the waiter brought Ted a glass of milk on a silver salver.

"Take it," said the man authoritatively, and Ted found that he was really very thirsty.

"Now," said the poor man, when Ted put down the empty glass, "I'd like to know why you gave me that rose."

"Because I feel sorry for you," came the slow and truthful answer.

"Sorry? And why?" he demanded.

"Because you're the very poorest and sorriest man in New York," he echoed, grimly. "Who told you that?"

"I don't know his name," "Twas a man on the street, and he told an other man that."

"Oh!" with a queer, mirthless smile.

"And you feel sorry for a poor, friendless stranger?"

"Yes, I do," said Ted, very gravely and sweetly.

There was a little embarrassed pause, during which the keen, hollow eyes looked into Ted's beautiful face as though searching for something, which

they must have found presently, for the dark, old face relaxed into a smile, which utterly contradicted the hard, cruel lines about the thin lips.

"I thank you very much for the rose, my little friend," he said, "but most of all for the sweet thought that prompted your kindness. It's many a long day since I've had such a precious gift," he added, with a queer break in his voice.

He took from his pocket a memorandum and scribbled a few words across the face of a printed note.

"Ask your father to read that to you as soon as you go home," he said. "Don't lose it; it's your birthday present from the poorest man in New York."

It was lunch time when Ted reached home. Papa sat at the table stirring his tea absently and looking over a long row of figures in the latest paper.

"Gerry, do try to eat something," said mamma, anxiously, from her place at the head of the table.

Ted went over and laid the crumpled paper beside his plate, and his father leaned over and glanced at it unseeingly, but its contents caught and riveted his instant attention.

"To Gerald W. Winterburn, to hold in trust for his son Ted, 75 shares of the latest Fraction stock, being the full value of the original cash deposit of said Gerald W. Winterburn in the company's securities."

(Signed) ALEX. NORTHGUTT, "President Union Traction Co."

He read it over twice and three times in speechless wonder; then mamma took alarm at his changed, bewildered looks, and rose and looked over his shoulder at the bit of paper in his trembling hand.

"Alex. Northcutt! Gerry, what can it mean?" she asked, in breathless amazement.

"It means that a miracle has happened, and he has saved me from utter ruin at the eleventh hour. Alex. Northcutt, whom men call skin-and-miser! What can have moved him to such a wonderful deed?"

"It was the rose," said Ted, confident. "Which was really not all; but the package guessed the rest—Ledge Monthly."

THE FREIGHT BUSINESS.

It is Not the Haphazard Thing Many Suppose.

Most people have an idea that freight is the last thing that railroads look after. Many profess to believe that a piece of freight once started on its journey is allowed to loaf along at its own sweet will and pleasure, stopping where it wishes and staying as long as it likes, and only bringing up at its destination when there is nowhere else to go.

When you have waited day after day for that piano which was shipped a month ago you are ready to adopt that opinion. But don't be in a hurry. When that piano box shows up in Portland the Poughkeepsie agent does not uncase the instrument and give a series of box car recitals for the next two months. You may think he does, but he doesn't. Not a bit of it! There is no welcome anywhere for the wandering Willies of freightdom. No agent wishes to be caught with missing freight piled up in his yard or house. The truth of the matter is the railroads are continually punching it to move on.

It is an interesting study to see how the railroads handle their immense freight business. To the outsider a freight office seems like confusion worse confounded, but to the men who have been trained to the work it is as simple as a problem in short division. No matter how far from home a car is it is always in touch with the home office. If the car has had bad luck and one of its trucks is sprained the home office knows about it and sends an order to have it placed in the nearest car hospital and doctored up to working condition. The office knows just what the car is earning, and if it thinks its traveling expenses are getting too big it shifts its route or calls it home. It is only once in a while that a car gets away from the home office altogether, and when one does there is no sleep for any one till the runaway is found and started in the right direction.

After you have listened to a freight agent's description of the elaborate plans to look after freight, you will marvel that a single package ever goes astray.

But the man who is waiting for that piano knows that it does.—Lewiston Journal.

BESIEGED TWENTY-FOUR YEARS.

Candia Held Out for That Length of Time Against the Turks.

One of the longest sieges in history was that of Candia (Crete). It lasted twenty-four years, and was begun by the Turks in June, 1625, when they landed a large army, variously estimated at from 74,000 to 150,000 men.

On Sept. 3, 1650, the town capitulated, after a siege which is estimated to have cost the lives of 40,000 Christians and nearly 120,000 Turks.

Constantinople was besieged by either Persians or Turks from A. D. 626 to 675. From 698 to 675 the Turks repeated their attacks yearly.

The siege of Gibraltar, attacked by land and sea, lasted four years, from 1779-1783.

During the thirty years' war Olmutz was besieged from 1642-1648, and was still held by the Swedes in 1650, when they gave it up in accordance with agreement, not compulsion.

The siege of Lucknow furnishes the most famous example of a British garrison holding out against fearful odds. For eighty-seven days the slender garrison held out until relief came. This is now eclipsed by Ladysmith.

Herat, in Afghanistan, is one of the most frequently besieged cities, having been besieged fifty times. Constantinople has suffered from twenty-six sieges, and Paris from eleven.—Stray Stories.

Cruel.

Mrs. Mouse—Oh, dear! I've had such a start!

Mr. Mouse—What's the matter?

Mrs. Mouse—I met a great big ferocious creature upstairs that jumped on a chair, and waved her clothes at me, and screamed so it frightened me almost to death!—New York Press.

When a man gets too lazy to fish there is no earthly hope for him.

## ATTIRE FOR SUMMER.

### FASHIONABLES SHOW PREFERENCES IN MATERIALS.

Vellings, Barages and Light-Weight Canvases All Popular—Change in Treatment of Summer Silks—Look Well to Your Field Gown.

New York correspondence.

SUMMER materials have been in view for a long time, but not until now has it been possible to tell which ones would take up generally. Aside from the stuffs that come forward annually at this season there is decided preference for vellings, barages and light-weight canvases. All of these are to be had in new and pretty weaves.

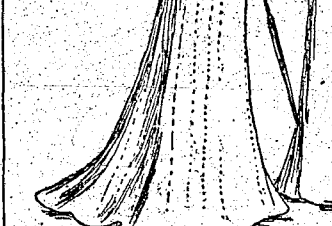
Wool canvases is an especial favorite of the present. It is light, cool and can be worn without suggesting that the season is being rushed. Later it should be quite as serviceable as if it isn't, a weight of wool should rest on the consciousness of those who have recommended it, for it has been pushed hard. In summer

ing it is, all the greater triumph. For this last reason the field silks shown herewith should be of especial interest. The first consisted of a gray and white checked cloth skirt finished with black silk cord, a black velvet jacket with white piping collar and revers, and a shirt waist. Next this is a tan serge suit trimmed with landing and stitching, and worn with red thick waistcoat and tucked white lawn chemise. Last is a suit of Oxford gray chevrons. This is a goods and color that English cloth does indeed, this gray is the popular color for outfitting.

Its box jacket was its distinctive feature. Nothing more striking than this is permitted by good taste. A reaction began in the days of bicyclists attired like vaudeville songstresses has brought an extreme of quietness. This is enforced in colors, trimmings and cut. Not a few modest riders object to the present length of skirts, but to wear one shorter is to announce yourself as an independent or possibly an unpleasant kind.

Last summer's shirt waist rig does not carry over. This year's consists of skirt and jacket to match worn with a non-trusting waist. Costumes of khaki, linen, duck or pique are thus made. The cotton may be short, like a bolero, or it may be a round jacket touching the belt at the back and rounding away short at sides and front. The array of skirt and jacket gowns does not, however, stop with the simplicity just indicated. Lovely ones are in all-over lace and to be worn over silk or lawn. Etons that are made collarless and to fasten from under the chin to the belt are very useful when made of quick-drying materials. An overdress to match is worn over an underskirt of the same material as the under bodice. A

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NEW TREATMENT OF SUMMER SILKS.

mer silks there is little new as to weaves. Pique appears, but that has long been valued all winter in silks and velvets, so doesn't seem strikingly new now. But in the treatment of summer silks there is a distinct change. In outline and general design of trimming they resemble the cloth dresses that were worn last winter and this spring. In the first of these pictured models this resemblance is astonishingly close, but the silken texture lessens the likeness, and provides characteristics that are very attractive.

Consideration of the specifications of these gowns is worth while as furnishing reliable information of the new standards. The first dress was pale green India silk, skirt and bolero showing black velvet tabs outlined in white silk southee. The bodice belt was black velvet, and the inner bodice was plaid silk in which white predominated. Bright pink is preferred to accompany such boleros, the highly wrought bolero taking the more subdued inner waist. Blue taffeta was used for the next of these dresses, stitching and lattice work of black velvet ribbon finishing it. Its front was white chiffon. Besides this is a biscuit colored liberty silk, with yoke and collar of white all-over embroidery. This is unusual treatment for the summer silk dress, which usually has run to more or less of fluffery.

Silk for foundation gowns is to be very stylish, and there is no lessening of last winter's tremendous demand for silk petticoats. For summer, lattice petticoats in dainty colorings are counted as good, as silk, but all like the swish of silk and are unwilling to give it up. It thus comes that there is a choice of materials for the foundation of the summer lawn, the artist put a white lawn at the right in the

plain linen skirt with a bolero of the same linen stenciled in an all-over design, is very pretty, the skirt lined with silk, the bolero worn over a silk waist to match the skirt lining.

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How McCullough Lost a Bet.

William H. Crane, the actor, was an intimate friend of the late John McCullough, concerning whom he tells many anecdotes. When in town recently, in speaking of the great tragedian, Mr. Crane said that one night in San Francisco he was awakened from a sound sleep by McCullough pounding on the door of his room, and in response to his sleepy inquiry as to what was wanted responded: "Let me in, 'Billey,' I want you to decide a bet."

Once in, McCullough told Crane that he and the man who accompanied him had bet a twenty-dollar gold piece as to who could stand the longer on one foot, and that Crane must referee the contest.

The preliminaries being arranged and the stakes deposited, time was called, and each contestant, lifting a foot from the floor, stood like a crane, while the real Crane lay back in a recumbent position, with a drowsy eye on the contestants. The seconds dragged into minutes, which again threatened to extend into the hour without either disputant giving up. Suspecting something was wrong, Crane walked himself in and examined his men more closely. The other man was yawning a bit, but McCullough was standing like a rock. Another five minutes went by, and then

Crane, hopping out of bed, discovered that McCullough had one foot resting against an adjacent sofa, and could have stood there a week, if necessary. The other man won the bet, but the joke was on the referee.—New York Tribune.

In the Boozie Country.

"And the mayor?"

"Shot."

"And the colonel?"

"Half-shot."—Syracuse Herald.

A scientific paper says that the paper houses now coming into use last longer than those made of steel, and do not slip so easily.

The Shad Season.

The annual run of shad into the rivers is safely for spawning, and they appear in almost regular succession, according to latitude. About the middle of November the run commences in St. John's River, in Florida, and the first or second week in January finds them in the Savannah and Edisto. Somewhat later they enter the streams of North Carolina, while April is usually the month in which they are most abundant in the Potomac. By the middle of May they have reached New Brunswick, and their season is over. The time they stay in fresh water

varies, and it seems that under some circumstances they may remain in the rivers throughout the year, and occasionally one is taken in midwinter, but as a rule they are found only in the spawning season.

EXTENSIVE HAIR CUT.

Some Forty Thousand Sheep Being Shorn at New Brighton, Minn.

Nineteen professional sheep shearers have begun shearing 40,000 sheep at New Brighton. The task will keep them busy for over a month. The men use specially designed power instruments and they will each draw from \$7 to \$10 per day.

The trading sheep are enticed into pens where they are at the mercy of the shearers who are paid by the piece and consequently work with all possible speed. The up-to-date shearing instrument operates on the same plan as a barber's hair clipper, and makes a clean sweep of several inches in its trips back and forth across the body of a sheep. The most skillful shearers work the clippers along the body of the animal with great dexterity and as they proceed the wool falls away in a solid bunch as though the animal had been skinned instead of shorn. When the clipper has finished its work the wool lies on the floor in a bundle, the naked and indignant sheep scampers away, and a man with a hand-car goes up and down the long row of operators and gathers up the wool, takes it to the packing room, where it is tramped down into large burlap bags, which when filled weigh about 235 pounds each.

The men are paid from 7 to 9 cents per head for the sheep shorn, and 125 is a good day's work, although there are men who claim to have sheared as many as 250 sheep in a day. When the 40,000 now at New Brighton have all been shorn, the sheep will be moved to the westward, the most industrious of them finally ending up in Nevada and California, where there are single ranches with as many as 300,000 sheep belonging to one man. From there they will come up through the south to Minneapolis, whence they will start out to cover the circuit again next March.—Minneapolis Journal.

An Aged Student.

Monarchs can never afford to leave off learning, whatever their subjects may do. A striking instance in point is furnished by an article in Pearson's Magazine, an article the proof-sheets of which were corrected by Queen Victoria herself.

From this article it appears that in spite of all her duties and responsibilities, in spite of the fact that she has devoted so much time to the study of politics as to have become one of the greatest living authorities on the practical politics of Europe, Queen Victoria has, within the later years of her reign, acquired an intimate acquaintance with a difficult language spoken by a large number of her subjects.

She makes it a custom, we are assured, to note in Hindustani the daily events of her life, keeping a diary for this special purpose. She speaks the language fluently, having devoted a part of every day for the last ten years to instruction in it, and to acquiring a knowledge of the intellectual treasures of the East.

The queen has surprised many of her Indian visitors by making unexpected observations in good Hindustani. As everybody knows, she is always attended, when at home, by one or more of her picturesque Indian servants. It is not, however, so generally known that she always speaks to them in their own tongue. However small the remark, or however serious the command, it comes to them in Hindustani. Universal admiration has been expressed at the determination of the queen at an advanced age, not only to learn to speak Hindustani, but also to take an interest in the literature of India, and to acquaint herself with the ideas and aspirations of her Oriental subjects.

Reserved a Cracker.

A Philadelphia newspaper reports the case of a parrot that protected her owner's home from burglars. The thieves entered through one of the front parlor windows, crept through the hall past the bird, and began opening the side door in which the silver was kept.

One of them had gathered up the costly Turkish rugs on the floor when Polly spoke out.

"Is that you, Frank?" she asked.

The burglars stopped, and Polly repeated the question in a louder and more imperative key. By this time the noise had awakened her master.

He grasped a revolver, and made for the head of the stairs. There he pressed an electric button on the wall and lit the lights in the hall. Three men were just then opening the front door.

On getting down stairs, the master of the house found the parrot in her cage under the piano. The cage was upset, but the bird unharmed. He placed her right side up on the piano, when she lifted her frightened head from under her wing and asked again: "Is that you, Frank?"

Social Memory.

Henry Fawcett, says Sir Edward Russell, had an extraordinary memory for persons. One night Sir Edward was in the House of Commons, to hear a debate, under the gallery.

A friend introduced him to Mr. Fawcett, who, learning why he was there, said:

"Oh, then you can look after my old father, and tell him who the people are. He is going under the gallery, too."

Three or four years later, Sir Edward was presented to Mr. Fawcett, who was then chief guest at a political dinner, and said to him, in the usual conventional manner:

"I once had the pleasure of being introduced to you, Mr. Fawcett, but it's a long time ago."

"I remember," said he, "you very kindly looked after my father under the gallery at the House."

—And this was the memory of a man totally blind.

Helping Him Out.

During the great strike a few years ago among the employees on the North British Railway, much difficulty was experienced in finding qualified engine-drivers. Upon one occasion a young fellow was put upon a section in Fife. One day he ran some distance past a station, and upon putting back he went as far the other way. The station-master, seeing him preparing for another attempt, to the great amusement of the passengers on the platform, shouted:

"Just like what you are, Tummas, we'll shift the station!"

## SERMONS OF THE WEEK.

### The Young Hearts.—Character, faith and eternal life depend upon the young hearts.—Rev. A. Gilles, Methodist, Troy, N. Y.

Of Like Nature.—To enjoy the companionship of God we must be of like nature.—Rev. F. B. Smiley, Presbyterian, Denver, Col.

Luck.—The young man makes a terrible blunder who relies for his success on luck instead of hard work.—Rev. Dr. Yushin, Baptist, Denver, Col.

Unhappiness.—There are many secondary causes of unhappiness in this life, and hence the constant resort to secondary cures.—Rev. N. Woodside, Presbyterian, Pittsburg, Pa.

Truth.—If truth is in one sense broad it is in another sense narrow. It excludes the contradictory. Geometry is a very narrow science.—Rev. Geo. H. Trever, Methodist, Milwaukee, Wis.

Good Manners.—We must not depreciate manners of men. Good manners may be said to be the small change of Christian effort.—Rev. M. L. Haines, Presbyterian, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Real Christian Life.—Christ's life is the real Christian life. We live the Christian life in the degree that we live like him.—Rev. J. T. Tisworth, Congregationalist, Milwaukee, Wis.

A Partnership.—There is a partnership between the creator and the creature, and when we deny this partnership we are controlled by pride.—Rev. Father Mahony, Roman Catholic, San Francisco, Cal.

Predestination.—No preacher in the church to-day teaches infant damnation, and there are other things more important than philosophic quibbles over predestination.—Rev. T. G. Wylie, Presbyterian, New York City.

Truth of the Gospel.—The power of the Lord's resurrection was the strongest confirmation of the truth of the gospel, and the whole fabric of Christianity rested upon it.—Rev. A. J. Tardy, Episcopalian, New Orleans, La.

Real Progress.—Was real progress ever made through the senses alone, if such a progress in itself was not, indeed, a degeneration, by comparison with the life governed by spiritual guidance?—Rev. H. N. Brown, Boston, Mass.

Concentration.—By concentration the inventor accomplishes his plan, the discoverer attains his object, the student wins his prize. It is the convergence of argument that brings conviction.—Rev. D. C. Garrett, Episcopalian, San Francisco, Cal.

In the Series.—Put the soul in one side of the scales and the Savior in the other, and downward goes the world's redeemer and upward to heaven flies the immortal soul. "The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin."—Rev. F. P. Spencer, Methodist, Atlanta, Ga.

Present Century.—The present century has been remarkable for research and active movements in every branch of science and art. The trend of thought is turning and prospects were never brighter for a restoration of religion.—Rabbi Hirsch, Hebrew, Chicago, Ill.

Patience.—Some people are so born that they have a splendidly balanced disposition. They are very fortunate in their original organization; their faculties are harmoniously adjusted. It is not so difficult for such people to be patient.—Rev. J. R. Shannon, Methodist, Toledo, Ohio.

The Stage.—The stage was an offspring of the church, and should, therefore, be its greatest ally for redemption. It is the duty of people to keep away from those plays that are morally bad, but to support those that are good.—Rev. W. E. Bentley, Methodist, New York City.

His Merchants.—You are not worth the things you possess on earth. They fade and vanish. You are only worth the treasure you have laid in your gates. These are the things which make your fortune. Ye are his merchants.—Rev. John M. Gaston, Presbyterian, Pittsburg, Pa.

A Mistake.—One mistake was made in trying to regulate religion according to man-made rules. Of course, we have in rules of life. God has set out very clearly some rules for human conduct. We shall never outgrow the ten commandments, or the Sermon on the Mount.—Rev. N. H. Lee, Methodist, Denver, Col.

Successful Government.—There are two things that can make the people incapable of successful government. The one is the removal of the light, whereby the faults may be seen, and the other is the incapacitating of the eye to see, although the light may still be turned on.—Rev. A. B. Church, Universalist, Akron, Ohio.

Fill'd Duty.—No one thinks it strange that we should discard our fathers' thought respecting dress, habitation or form of government, yet the idea seems to be almost universal that filial duty demands that the child shall think religiously; think of God only as his fathers thought.—Wm. G. Hawkes, Christian Scientist, Chicago, Ill.

Christianity.—The great doctrine of Christianity, rightly understood, is not that of the resurrection, but that of the incarnation. Jesus himself as the manifestation of God in humanity, showing us the essential divineness of human life and the greatness of its spiritual possibilities, is the real basis of Christianity.—Rev. R. F. Johnson, Unitarian, Chicago, Ill.

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Field Suits for Summer.

large picture, and lawn was used for its foundation also, but not a few such dresses are made over tulle. Its application trimming was fine black lace.

What tailors now classify as